

Copper Queen Library News

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COPPER QUEEN SEED LIBRARY



The Copper Queen Library is pleased to announce our latest endeavor, the Copper Queen Seed Library. The goal of our new Seed Library is to form and encourage a learning community centered around the saving and sharing of seeds in our unique desert climate. The practice of seed saving has been around for more than 12,000 years. It is a part of heritage and is now more important than ever in preserving unique seed varieties which have drastically decreased due to commercial seed farming practices. Seed libraries like ours have the potential to secure the future of food in the Desert Southwest through conservation, sharing and education.

Our Seed Library will depend on donations, growing success and seasonal changes. If you are able to donate seeds, please see Kathy at the circulation desk. Please note, we are only looking for heirloom and open-pollinated seeds, which means no hybrids and no GMOs.

To borrow seeds from the library, all you need is a library card in good standing. You don't need to return the same seeds, so there are no due dates, and you'll never accrue any overdue fines. Returning seeds is not required. However, as you learn and grow as a gardener, sharing seeds is highly recommended to help keep our Seed Library going.

As a part of our Seed Library, we are also starting a Garden Club which will meet the second Tuesday of every month at 2:00 PM in the Library's Meeting Room. Each meeting will feature a speaker and a topic that will help us explore the adventures of gardening and seed saving. Everyone is invited to participate -- master gardeners and those just interested in learning more about gardening.

Help our new Seed Library grow and bloom by spreading the word and planting seeds yourself! Again, if you are able to donate seeds, please stop by and fill out a donation form and include as much information about the seeds as you can.

Happy Gardening!



Check out our new Art Maker Space located in the Children's Library. Little artists will find all the tools they need to create their own masterpiece! Sponsored by the Friends of the Copper Queen Library, the Maker Space includes construction paper, scissors, glue sticks, markers, crayons, colored pencils, pipe cleaners, craft sticks, googly eyes...and much, much more! All supplies are kept in the blue cabinet in the Easy section of the Children's Library in clear, labeled containers. Please return all supplies back to the cabinet when you are finished and hang your piece of art on the Corkboard Gallery located by the water fountain.



ancestry library edition

Where did previous generations of your family come from? How did they live? What did they fight for? And how did their lives affect yours? Historical records and photos hold so many answers about the fascinating people in history. And now you can access the world's largest online family history resource right here at the Copper Queen Library, including hundreds of years of history in billions of historical documents and millions of historical photos from all over the world.

Fun facts about Ancestry.com:

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Ancestry.com Library Edition is only accessible in the library on one of our public computers. Access this useful tool by clicking on the Reference Databases icon on the library's homepage.

The Friends of the Copper Queen Library Bookstore is located on the first floor of the building by the Post Office Entrance. Choose from a wide variety of used books, including fiction, mystery, nonfiction, and children's materials. All hardback books are \$1 and paperbacks are just 50 cents apiece. The Bookstore also sells used DVDs, CDs, and audiobooks, all for each \$1. All sales directly benefit the Friends, which, in turn, directly benefits the Library. The Bookstore is open during regular Library hours. However, because it is run by volunteers, hours may vary. Want to volunteer? Fill out a volunteer application at the Library's circulation desk.



DEBRAH STRAIT

Debrah moved to Bisbee, Arizona, 20 years ago, looking for a safe, peaceful place in which to recover from an auto accident. Instead, she had encounters with killer bees, forest fires, scorpions, snakes, floods, and some of the nicest people she's ever met. Amidst her adventures, she managed to finish a novel about pirates, plus a fantasy about a dragon with a bad cough. She's also published a volume of short-short stories, and now, a collection of the newsletters she's sent to family and friends about her life in Arizona. Before Bisbee, she spent some time in Hollywood typing TV and movie scripts, selling cemetery plots in Jacksonville, Florida, and writing real estate advertising in Ohio. She's at work now on a futuristic tale set on the Border with Mexico. Debrah will speak at the Library on Tuesday, March 13 at 5:30 PM. Come out and support local authors in Bisbee! All of her books are available at the CQ Library.

